

REMARKS

Claims 5-12, 21-24, and 28 have been canceled without prejudice. Claims 29-41 have been added. Support for new Claims 29-41 appears in the specification at least at page 3, line 12 to page 5, line 34 and in FIG. 1.

The Restriction Requirement

The Examiner is requiring election to one of the following species of the claimed invention under 35 U.S.C. 121:

I. The species of FIG. 1; and

II. The species of FIG. 2.

Applicants hereby elect, with traverse, the species of FIG. 1. Applicants hereby assert that Claims 1-4, 25-27 and new Claims 29-41 read upon the elected species.

As set forth in MPEP 707.07(g), eighth edition, rev. 3, August 2005, page 700-125:

Piecemeal examination should be avoided as much as possible.

Applicants note that the Examiner previously issued a restriction requirement in the Office Action dated June 30, 2005. As such, the second restriction requirement in the Office Action dated October 5, 2005 amounts to unwarranted piecemeal examination, and thus this election is made with traverse. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the restriction requirement.

Conclusion

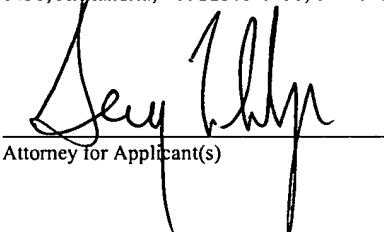
Claims 1-4, 25-27, 29-41 are pending in the application. If the Examiner has any questions relating to the above, the

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Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned Attorney for Applicant(s).

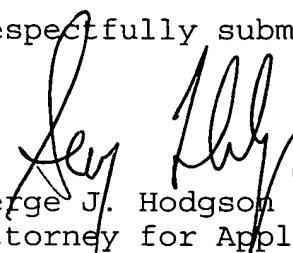
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